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PAUL SMITH ET AL.

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 5, 2003, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks and arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.